into the reaction medium.

(New) Process according to Claim 30, characterized in that phosgene is reacted with sodium fluoride.

35. (New) Use of the carbonyl fluoride prepared according to Claim 30 to form an aliphatic fluoroformate, characterized in that the said carbonyl fluoride is reacted with an aliphatic alcohol.

(New) Process according to Claim 20, characterized in that the aliphatic alcohol is chosen from the group comprising tert-butanol, benzyl alcohol, adamantanol, fluorenylmethanol, tert-amyl alcohol and allyl alcohol. --

## REMARKS

By the present Preliminary Amendment the applicants have cancelled original claims 1 to 19 and added new claims 20 to 40.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 20 to 40 are in condition for examination on the merits and such action

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is respectfully requested.

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